

he was thrust into battle, but his bravery and the bravery of those who fought and died for this country will forever be etched in our minds.

THE ILSA RENEWAL ACT OF 2001—
H.R. 1954

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 23, 2001

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to note that earlier today I introduced H.R. 1954, the ILSA Extension Act of 2001, which will extend the provisions of the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act for an additional five years.

I have introduced the bill together with my colleague, the gentleman from California, Mr. HOWARD BERMAN as the lead cosponsor, and with nearly 200 additional original cosponsors.

Among those original cosponsors are members of the House leadership on both sides of the aisle, including, notably, our Majority Leader, DICK ARMEY, DEBORAH PRYCE, CHRIS COX, ROY BLUNT, and Committee Chairmen, PORTER GOSS, SHERRY BOEHLERT, JIM SEXTON, CHRIS SMITH, and DON YOUNG. On the other side of the aisle we have leaders such as MARTIN FROST and BOB MENENDEZ, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Democratic Caucus, TOM LANTOS, the ranking Democrat on our House International Relations Committee, and GARY ACKERMAN, the ranking Member on our Middle East Subcommittee.

We are advocating that ILSA remain in effect for another five years because Iran continues to threaten the national security of the United States, as President Bush certified to Congress in March. Although Libyans stand convicted of killing Americans, British, and others by bringing down Pan Am Flight 103, the Libyan government has failed to take responsibility for its actions in this matter, as required by the U.N. Security Council. Without ILSA these countries would be more dangerous still.

It was the intent of the supporters of the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act, five years ago, that either Iran would change its behavior so that it would gain access to investments from around the world or that, absent a change in behavior, it would be hampered in its efforts to promote terror and obtain weapons of mass destruction. It is regrettable that Iranian behavior has not changed for the better.

In fact, it seems to be getting worse—in its training of terrorists, in its production of chemical and biological weapons and the production of long range missiles. But that is no reason to give up our struggle to deprive Iran of the means to use violence to achieve its aims. There is ample evidence that ILSA has delayed exploitation of Iran's energy resources and made their development more difficult and more expensive. And that is exactly what the Iran Libya Sanctions Extension Act will continue to do.

In Iran we are confronted with a regime whose national security aims include the destruction of the State of Israel and a desire to threaten the United States. So it is left to us to do what the Iranian people cannot do for themselves, which is to contain the existing re-

gime as best we can. And that is all that our legislation does.

ILSA does not affect any of our American companies. It is aimed solely at foreign companies which take advantage of our executive-order ban on investment in Iran or Libya.

It even provides that it would not have any further effect if Iran and Libya conform to acceptable standards of behavior for members of the world community. But they have not done so thus far.

Our Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia received testimony on May 9 about the impact of ILSA. We believe, based on that testimony and on other information we have received over the years, that ILSA has been effective in slowing down investment in Iran. It has helped to slow Iran's development of the means to threaten the United States and its friends. Iran, however, has been taking actions that threaten the United States. To prevent Iran from doing further harm, we are asking our colleagues in the Congress to renew ILSA.

Mr. Speaker, for the convenience of our colleagues, I am inserting into the RECORD a copy of the bill and a list of its original cosponsors.

H.R. 1954

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "ILSA Extension Act of 2001".

SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF IRAN AND LIBYA SANCTIONS ACT OF 1996.

Section 13(b) of the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; Public Law 104-172) is amended by striking "5 years" and inserting "10 years".

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HON. WILLIAM D. DELAHUNT

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 23, 2001

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, on Saturday, May 12, family and friends gathered at the Museum of Natural History on Cape Cod to celebrate the memory of our colleague, Priscilla Reetz.

For 10 years in our Hyannis office—with Representative Studts, then Representative DELAHUNT, she worked each day to help people in need across the cape and islands, with a heart of gold and joyousness to spare. Actress, entrepreneur, novelist, kayaker—Priscilla touched countless lives, including ours, with irresistible zest.

We are deeply saddened by her death, and will miss her dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with her four children and seven grandchildren.

It is with respect and admiration for this remarkable friend and coworker that I commend to you the obituary for Ms. Reetz that appeared in the Cape Cod Times on Thursday, May 10, 2001: